Basic English Grammar (book 1)

For English Language Learners

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2 The Capital Letters

Exercise 1:

1. **P**eter and **I** are good friends.
2. **W**e are going to **C**hicago during our summer vacation.
3. **T**here is an interesting football game on **S**unday.
4. **J**ason lives on **T**homson **A**venue.
5. **J**anuary is the first month of the year.

Exercise 2:

Hopkins **H**otels
Orchard **S**treet
Botanic **G**ardens
Shea **S**tadium
Lincoln **S**chool
Newton **R**oad
National **L**ibrary

3 Nouns

Exercise 1:

1. Bird, garden
2. teacher
3. apple
4. Kate, doll
5. stories
6. father, doctor
7. child, dictionary
8. Rudy, bananas
9. phone
10. book

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Exercise 2:

People	Animals	Places	Things
Swimmer	Snail	mountain	letters
Granny	Fox	River	Fire engine
Gardener	Parrot	Hotel	flag
Barber	Camel		taxi
Clown			

Proper Nouns

Exercise 1:

1. July
2. Ali Baba
3. Shawn / Ashley
4. Mr. Lee
5. Cinderella
6. Mike
7. Tuesday
8. Lion King

Exercise 2:

Common Nouns	Proper Nouns
doctor	Lisa
bank	January
month	President Hotel
hotel	White Sand Beach
girl	Dr. Wang
	United Bank

Exercise 3

1 **P**
2 **C**
3 **C**
4 **P**

5 **P**
6 **C**
7 **C**
8 **P**
9 **P**
10 **C**

Exercise 4

1. Robert Louis Stevenson wrote Treasure Island.
2. The capital of Illinois is Springfield.
3. My friends and I prefer Glittergums Toothpaste.
4. Their family visited Yellowstone National Park.
5. Juan and Maria attend Kennedy Middle School.
6. The Manager scolded his lazy employees.

Note: I use the highlighter instead of the circle to determine the nouns that should not be capitalized.

Singular Nouns

Plural Nouns

Exercise 1:

singular	**Plural**
word	pencils
fan	books
hat	children
Crab	kites
	people
	foxes

Exercise 2:

1. Desks
2. Classes
3. Combs

4. Mugs
5. Buses
6. Baskets
7. Peaches
8. Belts
9. Taxis
10. boxes

Exercise 3:

1. keys
2. cities
3. butterflies
4. monkeys
5. flies
6. toys
7. babies
8. parties
9. chimneys
10. ladies

Exercise 4:

1. videos
2. pianos
3. mangos/ mangoes
4. kangaroos
5. rhinos
6. radios
7. hippos
8. zoos
9. zeros/ zeroes
10. photos

Collective Nouns

Exercise:

A gaggle of geese
A flock of sheep
A herd of cattle
A pack of horses
A band of coyotes

Masculine and Feminine Nouns

Masculine	Feminine
master	mistress
uncle	Aunt
Nephew	niece
lion	lioness
tiger	Tigress
emperor	empress
husband	Wife
son	daughter
father	mother
Sir	madam

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Exercise 2:

1. hostess
2. stewardess
3. aunt
4. queen, girl, princess
5. gentlemen

Exercise 3:

Masculine	Feminine	Common Gender	Neuter
boy	mother	children	lamp
ram	queen	doctor	sun
son	witch	dancer	file
rooster	Girl	teacher	
father		Fish	
wizard			
elf			
king			

4 Pronouns

Exercise 1:

I (me)

He (him)

It (it)

She (her)

They (them)

You (you)

We (us)

Exercise 2:

1. we
2. her
3. he
4. him
5. you
6. they
7. she

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8. it
9. you, us
10. I
11. It, me
12. You

Exercise 3:

1. Ourselves
2. Herself
3. Themselves
4. Myself
5. Yourself
6. Yourselves
7. Himself
8. Itself

Exercise 4:

1. what
2. Who
3. Which
4. Who/ Whom
5. Whose
6. Who
7. Which
8. What
9. Which
10. what

5 Adjectives

Exercise 1:

1. There is an empty room upstairs.
2. It's a hot summer.
3. You are so kind.
4. Don't be crazy.
5. This park is clean and green.
6. Many people exercise to keep healthy.
7. I think these eggs are rotten.
8. We are all bored. There isn't anything to do.
9. The pupils don't find the joke amusing.
10. James was absent because he was ill.

Exercise 2:

1. Sweet
2. Hot
3. Free
4. Large
5. Short
6. High
7. Playful
8. Poor

Adjective Endings

Exercise 1:

1. Peaceful
2. Stormy
3. Muddy
4. Forgetful
5. Spotless
6. Dirty

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7. Musical
8. National
9. Dusty
10. Playful

Exercise 2:

1. Windy
2. Golden
3. Friendly
4. Rotten
5. Dangerous
6. Foolish
7. Charming
8. Childish
9. Lovely
10. Interesting

Kinds of Adjectives

Exercise 3:

1. QN
2. C, C
3. Q
4. O
5. Q
6. Q
7. QN
8. C
9. QN, QN
10. QN
11. O
12. S

13.QN

14.S

15.C, C

Comparison of Adjectives

Exercise 1:

Word	Comparative	Superlative
Hard	Harder	Hardest
Cold	Colder	Coldest
Soft	Softer	Softest
Tall	Taller	Tallest
Rich	Richer	Richest
mad	Madder	Maddest
funny	Funnier	Funniest
Big	Bigger	Biggest
Sad	Sadder	Saddest
Busy	Busier	Busiest
Noisy	Noisier	Nosiest

Exercise 2:

Word	Comparative	Superlative
Foolish	More foolish	Most foolish
Harmful	More harmful	Most harmful
Poisonous	More poisonous	Most poisonous
Valuable	More valuable	Most valuable
Difficult	More difficult	Most difficult
Generous	More generous	Most generous

6 Determiners

Exercise 1:

1. An
2. A
3. An
4. The

5. A
6. A
7. The
8. The
9. A
10. An
11. An
12. A

Exercise 2:

1 a, the
2 the, the
3 the, an
4 the, the
5 the, the
6 the, the
7 a, the
8 a
9 a, a
10 the, the

Exercise 3:

1. these
2. that
3. this
4. those
5. this
6. those

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Exercise 4:

1. DA
2. DA
3. DP
4. DP
5. DP
6. DA
7. DA
8. DA
9. DP
10. DP

Exercise 5:

1. Her
2. Its
3. Your
4. His
5. My
6. Our
7. Your
8. Their

Exercise 6:

1. What
2. Which
3. What
4. Whose
5. Which
6. What
7. Which
8. Which

7 Verbs and Tenses

The Simple Present Tense

Exercise 1:

1. The children go to school by bus.
2. Bats sleep during the day.
3. These toys belong to Kathy.
4. Every pupil has a good dictionary
5. Polar bears live at the North Pole.
6. Most children learn very fast.
7. Mr. Thomas teaches us science.
8. The earth goes around the sun.
9. We never cross the street without looking.
10. Many stores close on Sunday.

Exercise 2:

1. Comes
2. Barks
3. Look
4. Makes
5. Works
6. Speaks
7. Hurts
8. Like
9. Eats
10. Types

Am, Is, Are

Exercise 1:

1. Are
2. Is
3. Are

4. Is
5. Are
6. Is
7. Am
8. Are

Exercise 2:

1. Is
2. Is
3. Are
4. Are
5. Is
6. Is
7. Is
8. Are
9. Are
10. Is

Exercise 3:

1. There is
2. There are
3. There is
4. There are
5. There is
6. There are
7. There are
8. There is
9. There are
10. There are
11. There is
12. There is
13. There is
14. There are

15. There are

The Present Progressive Tense

Exercise 1:

1. Coming
2. Running
3. Sleeping
4. Falling
5. Jumping
6. Climbing
7. Going
8. Asking
9. Catching
10. Writing
11. Dropping
12. Binging

Exercise 2:

1. Are enjoying
2. Is washing
3. Is getting
4. Is examining
5. Is passing
6. Are working
7. Is, showing
8. Are making
9. Is flying
10. Are having

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Have and Has

Exercise 1:

1 Have
2 Has
3 Have
4 Have
5 Has
6 Has
7 Have

Exercise 2:

1. Have
2. Has
3. Has
4. Have
5. Have
6. Has
7. Has
8. Has
9. Has
10. Have

The Present Perfect Tense

Exercise 1:

1. Broken
2. Drunk
3. Cut
4. Done
5. Sung
6. Bought
7. Found

8. Drawn
9. Heard
10. Known

Exercise 2:

1. Has lost
2. Have arrived
3. Has scored
4. Has slept
5. Has, rained
6. Have escaped
7. Has landed
8. Has made
9. Have caught
10. Have seen

The Simple Past Tense

Exercise 1:

1. Took
2. Walked
3. Rained
4. Shut
5. Opened
6. Cried
7. Told
8. Wrote
9. Sat
10. Read
11. Closed
12. Cooked

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Exercise 2:

1. Went
2. Blew
3. Dropped
4. Rolled
5. Jumped, Brought
6. Got
7. Began
8. Sold, Bought
9. Climbed
10. Shut

The Past Progressive Tense

Exercise 1:

1. Were
2. Was
3. Were
4. Was
5. Were
6. Was
7. Was
8. Was

Exercise 2:

1. Was talking
2. Was reading
3. Was erasing
4. Was doing
5. Was showing
6. Was drawing
7. Was looking
8. Were making

The Future Tense

Exercise 1:

1. Will grow
2. Will be
3. Shall go
4. Shall take
5. Will find
6. Will teach
7. Will pass
8. Shall, go

Exercise 2:

1. Are going to
2. Am going to
3. Are going to
4. Is going to
5. Is going to

Can, Could

May, Might

Exercise

1. Can
2. Could
3. Can
4. Can
5. May
6. May
7. May
8. May
9. May
10. May

11. Can
12. Can
13. May
14. Can

Do, Does and Did

Exercise:

1. Did
2. Did
3. Do
4. Did
5. Does
6. Does
7. Does
8. Did
9. Did
10. Do
11. Do
12. Do
13. Does
14. Does
15. Do

Would and Should

Exercise 2:

1. Should
2. Would
3. Would
4. Should
5. Would
6. Would
7. Would

8. Should
9. Should
10. Would
11. Should
12. Should
13. Should
14. Would
15. Would

8Subject-Verb Agreement

Exercise 1:

1. Go
2. Goes
3. Know
4. Knows
5. Has
6. Have
7. Is
8. Are

Exercise 2:

1. Roars
2. Lay
3. Likes
4. Washes
5. Knows
6. Are
7. Fight
8. Love

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9Adverbs

Exercise

1. Slowly
2. Beautifully
3. Strongly
4. Tidily
5. Bravely
6. Softly
7. Coolly
8. Comfortably
9. Wisely
10. Quietly
11. Merrily
12. Busily

Exercise 2:

1. The man shouted loudly.
2. He arrived early.
3. The train has already left.
4. He drove carelessly.
5. The students talked noisily.
6. The children are playing outside.
7. Let's go now.
8. Tom spoke politely to his teacher.
9. Have you seen Anne's cat anywhere?
10. Come here!

10 prepositions

Exercise 1

1. The man fell off the ladder.
2. 2have dinner at 7:30 P.M.
3. 3 Tom was born on a Friday.
4. 4 There are seven days in a week.
5. 5 Sue is running after her dog.
6. 6 Several people are waiting at the bus stop.
7. I received a letter from Sara yesterday.
8. 8Why are you still in bed?

Exercise 2

1. At
2. In
3. On
4. Around
5. by
6. behind
7. Up
8. Between
9. Into
10. Near

Conjunctions

Exercise 1:

1. And
2. And
3. But
4. And
5. Or

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6. And
7. But
8. Or

Exercise 2:

1 After
2 While
3 Before
4 When
5 Since
6 Until
7 As

13 Sentences

Exercise

1. ✔
2. ✖
3. ✔
4. ✔
5. ✖
6. ✖
7. ✔
8. ✖
9. ✖
10. ✖
11. ✔
12. ✔
13. ✔
14. ✔
15. ✔

Direct and Indirect Objects

Exercise 1:

1. 1 Anne has drawn a panda.
2. 2 They are playing table tennis.
3. 3 Little Kate knows the alphabet well.
4. 4 Dad bought a computer.
5. 5 I am writing a letter.
6. 6 Birds have feathers.
7. The workmen are building a house.
8. Samantha has a pretty doll.
9. The children received one gift each.
10. Do you know the answer?

Note: I use the highlighter instead of the circle to determine the objects.

Exercise 2:

1. 1 Dad gave Dave a present.
2. 2 Mom is making the children a meal.
3. 3 Mr. Thomas bought them ice cream cones.
4. 4 I sent Anne a birthday card.
5. 5 Granny told us a story.
6. 6 The waiter brought the guests their drinks.
7. Can I get you a sandwich?
8. The police officer showed us the way to the museum.

Note: I use the highlighter instead of the circle to determine the indirect objects.

Positive and Negative Sentences

Exercise 1:

1. I do
2. She isn't

3. They do
4. We are
5. She isn't
6. I can't

Exercise 2:

1. Where
2. Whose
3. Why
4. Who
5. Which
6. What
7. How
8. When

14 Punctuation

Exercise 1

1. He hates cheese.
2. Who is your teacher?
3. Stop that man.
4. Keep quiet.
5. Good morning, madam
6. George, are you okay?
7. Peter, David and Susan are playing hide and seek.
8. Mom bought meat, fish and vegetables at the
9. Supermarket.
10. What is the time now?
11. Anne is a pretty girl.

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Exercise 2:

1. This is Peter’s bike.
2. Paul can’t find his shoes.
3. Miss Lee is marking the pupils’ papers.
4. They are all on the children’s playground.
5. Don’t make so much noise!
6. Doctors take care of people’s health.
7. They’re having a game of tennis.
8. Jack doesn’t look well.

